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Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2006 6:43 AM
To: MLPAComments@resources.ca.gov
Subject: MLPAComments: Please Register My Support For Package 2

Dear MLPAComments@resources.ca.gov:

My name is Curtis Degler.

I am a scuba diver of over 30 years of active experience in both northern central and southern California , an avid freediver and abalone harvester, active scuba instructor, Past President of the San Francisco Reef Divers sport diving club, a widely published underwater photographer, and an officer in the Sonoma County Abalone Network(SCN), a wise-use group dedicated to stopping the poaching of abalone in California. I was also selected as a diver representative for the San Francisco Region in the previous, discontinued, MLPA round of talks.

I am urging you to support Package 2.

I support an unbroken State Marine Reserve from Breakwater to Lovers Point, including Hopkins Deep Reef.
Nothing less will satisfy my desire for this heavily visited International tourist destination except complete protection from extractors. Note that I AM AN EXTRACTOR! I WANT IT PROTECTED!

No-take Marine Reserves have been proven in countless studies to both protect marine biodiversity and marine population density but to also enhance the long term durability of non-protected areas and the recruitment of larval offspring to the benefit of extractors.

Please keep in place a world class system of marine reserves and other tyopes of conservation areas around Pacific Grove and Carmel, especially Pt Lobos and Yankee Point Reef, and the entire Pinnacles area.

Please protect in perpetuity the marine life living at my beloved dive site, Butterfly house, where one of California's few homebred MAJOR POETS, Robinson Jeffers, used to look out over Carmel Bay from his hand built stone tower to write about how Man was desecrating nature...

Sincerely,

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